REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1, 4-13, 15-16, 23-26, 28-30, 32-36 and 39-62 will be pending in this application. Amendments were made to claims 15, 16 and 39 and new claim 62 was added. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

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APPENDIX

Version with Markings to Show Changes Made

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Priority claim has been added to the first page.

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 15. (Amended) An enteral formulation for nasogastric delivery as in claim 14 wherein the carrier is a [soluble] non-starch polysaccharide.
- 16. (Amended)_An enteral formulation for nasogastric delivery as in claim 15 wherein the [soluble] non-starch polysaccharide is selected from the group consisting of inulin, pectin, chitin, β glucans, mucilages, agar, carageenans, alginates and gums including guar, arabic, xanthan, tragacanth, locust bean and psyllium.
- 39. (Amended) A method of elevating the level of [SCFA] a fatty acid in the colon of a human or animal, including the step of delivering a fatty delivery agent in a physiologically acceptable medium through a feeding tube to elevate the level of [SCFA,] the fatty acid, the fatty acid delivery agent being a fatty acid covalently bonded to a carrier molecule by a bond hydrolysable in the colon to thereby release the fatty acid.

New claim 62 was added.